REMARKS

Claims 1-55 are pending. The Examiner indicated that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct inventions:

- I. Claims 1-9;
- II. Claims 10-18 and 30-36;
- III. Claims 19-29;
- IV. Claims 37-47; and
- V. Claims 48-55.

The Examiner has required Applicant to elect a single invention. By this Response, Applicant respectfully elects, without traverse, invention V relating to Claims 48-55, cancels Claims 1-47, amends Claim 52, and adds Claims 56-60, thereby leaving Claims 48-51 and 53-55 unchanged. New Claims 56-60 depend from elected independent Claim 48 and, therefore, Claims 56-60 properly fall within the same elected invention as Claims 48-55.

Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected inventions I-IV and other aspects of the application in one or more divisional patent applications if the restriction requirement is upheld.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, examination of the current application on the merits are respectfully requested.

The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours.

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